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FOR SIEVERTS FROM CONSUL GENERAL

E.O. 1165W2: GDS  
TAGS: SREF, VN  
SUBJ: VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF: STATE 178582

1. IN CONNECTION WITH THE APPEARANCE AT THE CONSULATE  
GENERAL ON AUGUST 4 OF NGUYEN THI CHIEU ACCOMPANIED BY  
FSIO HUMPHREY WE WERE MOST INTERESTED TO LEARN FOR THE  
FIRST TIME THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE SOME ARRANGEMENT  
BY WHICH IT IS POSSIBLE NOW FOR SOME VIETNAMESE OF  
PARTICULAR INTEREST TO US TO DEPART VIETNAM LEGALLY  
PROVIDED IT IS NOT TO THE U.S. BUT TO SAY THE FRG.

THE IDEA AS I UNDERSTAND IT IS FOR THESE PEOPLE THEN  
TO GO TO THE U.S. UNDER SEVENTH PREFERENCE FROM THE FRG.

2. WE ARE MOST ANXIOUS TO HELP. FOR OBVIOUS REASONS  
NO ONE MORE THAN I. HOWEVER, WE NEED TO KNOW HERE  
JUST WHAT WE ARE DOING NOT ONLY TO BE EFFECTIVE  
BUT ALSO TO AVOID POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS WITH THE  
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GERMANS. CHIEU AND FOUR CHILDREN, FOR EXAMPLE,  
ENTERED THE FRG WITH A GERMAN FOREIGNERS PASSPORT  
AND HER RESIDENCE PERMIT IS VALID FOR 30 DAYS. ON  
THE OTHER HAND INS PROCESSING WILL TAKE AT LEAST  
45 DAYS AND THIS ASSUMES THAT SHE (OR OTHERS LIKE  
HER) WILL BE GIVEN PREFERRED TREATMENT OVER A BACKLOG  
OF ABOUT 500 VIETNAMESE CONDITIONAL ENTRY APPLICATIONS

IN THIS PART OF EUROPE, MOSTLY FRANCE. SINCE ONLY ABOUT 90 CONDITIONAL ENTRY NUMBERS ARE AVAILABLE EACH MONTH FOR ALL REFUGEES IN THIS AREA INCLUDING VIETNAMESE, THIS MEANS A BACKLOG OF ABOUT HALF A YEAR AT LEAST. WHILE WE DO NOT FORESEEE PROBLEMS IN CASES LIKE CHIEU'S TO OBTAIN ONE OR POSSIBLY TWO THIRTY-DAY EXTENSIONS OF RESIDENCE PERMITS, WE MAY RUN INTO DIFFICULTIES IF THE DELAYS ARE LONGER AND IF GERMAN AUTHORITIES COME TO BELIEVE THAT WE ARE NOT LIVING UP TO SOME UNDERSTANDING THEY THINK THEY HAVE WITH US. THERE WOULD OF COURSE BE NO PROBLEMS IN CASES OF AMERICAN PASSPORT HOLDERS IN THE EVENT SOME OF THESE ARE INCLUDED IN THE ARRANGEMENT.

3. LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR COMMENTS. LEHMANN

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